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The item(s) checked below are appropriate:

- An extension of time to respond to the final rejection was granted on for 1. month(s).
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